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### IMIDAZOLIDINEDIONE DERIVATIVES AS ANTIMALARIAL AGENTS, PREPARATION THEREOF, AND METHODS OF USE

# CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the U.S. National Phase under 35 U.S.C. §371 of International Application No. PCT/US2009/059455, filed Oct. 2, 2009, designating the U.S. and published in English on May 6, 2010 as WO 2010/051129, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/102,479, filed on Oct. 3, 2008. The content of these applications is incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.

#### FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Embodiments disclosed herein relate to new imidazolidinedione derivatives, methods of making these compounds, and methods of using the same to prevent, treat, or <sup>20</sup> inhibit malaria in a subject.

## BACKGROUND

There are approximately 350 to 500 million cases of 25 malaria each year. The current global situation with respect to malaria infections is rapidly worsening mainly due to nonavailability of effective drugs and development of drug resistance to the existing first line drugs, such as chloroquine and pyrimethamine (C. Plowe, The Journal of Experimental Biology 206, 3745-3752 (2003); A. Nzila, J. Antimicrob. Chemother, 57, 1043-H154 (2006)). In addition to the drug resistance of the first line antimalarial drugs, the usefulness of many newer antimalarial drugs was impaired by their side effects. Lethal hemolysis side effect was observed in glucose- 35 6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G6PD) deficient recipients of 8-aminoquinoline drugs (primaquine and tafenoquine) (P. Carson et al., Man. Bulletin of the World Health Organization 59, 427-437 (1981); E. Beutler, Blood, 14 (2), 103-139 (1959)); and CNS toxicity was a problematic side effect in 40 patients treated with mefloquine (P. Phillips-Howard et al., Drug Safety 12:370-383 (1995); P. Schlagenhauf, P J Travel Med 6:122-123 (1999); H. AIKadi, Chemotherapy 53:385-391 (2007)).

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Various embodiments herein relate to a compound having formula I:

or a tautomer thereof, or their pharmaceutically acceptable 60 salts,

wherein:

 $R^1$  is aryl or heteroaryl, each optionally substituted with one or more  $R^{1\alpha}$ ;

each R<sup>1a</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of hydroxyl, carboxyl, halo, aralkyl, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylsulfonyl,

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heterocycle, aryl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro, and  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy, optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro;

R<sup>2</sup> is an optionally substituted substituent selected from the group consisting of  $C_{1-10}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-10}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-10}$  cycloalkyl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, aryl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, heteroaryl ( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, alkylaryl, heterocyclyl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, aminoalkyl,  $R^{2a}R^{2b}N(CH_2)_n$ —, or  $R^2$  is  $R^4C$ (—O)—, or  $R^2$  is  $R^5O$ —;

n is an integer selected from 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7;

R<sup>2a</sup> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylsulfonyl, heterocycle, aryl, C<sub>3-7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro, and C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro:

 $R^{2b}$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylsulfonyl, heterocycle, aryl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro, and  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro:

 $R^3$  is  $C_{1-10}$  alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro;  $R^4$  is selected from the group consisting of aryl, heteroaryl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl, and  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl, each optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro; and

 $R^5$  is an optionally substituted substituent selected from the group consisting of  $C_{1-10}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-10}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-10}$  cycloalkyl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, aryl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, heteroaryl ( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, alkylaryl, heterocyclyl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, aminoalkyl, and  $R^{2a}R^{2b}N(CH_2)_n$ —.

In some embodiments,

 $R^1$  is anyloptionally substituted with one or more  $R^{1a}$ ;

each R<sup>1a</sup> is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro, and C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro:

 $R^2$  is an optionally substituted substituent selected from the group consisting of  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-6}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl( $CH_2$ )<sub>n</sub>—, aminoalkyl,  $C_{1-10}$  alkylC( $\equiv$ O)—,  $R^{2a}R^{2b}N(CH_2)_n$ —,  $C_{1-6}$  alkylO—,  $C_{2-6}$  alkenylO—,  $C_{3-10}$  cycloalkylO—, arylO—, heteroarylO—, heterocyclylO—,  $C_{1-6}$  alkylC ( $\equiv$ O)O—, and  $R^{2a}R^{2b}N(CH_2)_n$ O—,

n is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;

 $R^{2a}$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, aryl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl, and  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro, and  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro;

 $R^{2b}$  is selected from the group consisting of alkoxycarbonyl, and  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro; and

 $R^3$  is  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl.

In other embodiments,

 $R^1$  is phenyl optionally substituted with one or more  $R^{1a}$ ; each  $R^{1a}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of halo,  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro, and  $C_{1-3}$  alkoxy, optionally substituted with up to 5 fluoro:

 ${\bf R}^2$  is selected from the group consisting of  ${\bf C}_{1\text{-}6}$  alkyl,  ${\bf C}_{2\text{-}6}$  alkenyl,  ${\bf C}_{3\text{-}7}$  cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>—, aminoalkyl, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkylC(=O)—,  ${\bf R}^{2a}{\bf R}^{2b}{\bf N}$  (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>—, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylO—, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenylO—, C<sub>3-10</sub> cycloalkylO—, arylO—, heteroarylO—, heterocyclylO—, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylC(=O)O—, and  ${\bf R}^{2a}{\bf R}^{2b}{\bf N}$  (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>O—,

n is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;